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Message from the Chair

Welcome to the fourth quarter Citizens Clean Elections Commission *Bulletin*. The Commission would like to congratulate all primary election winners! We look forward to working with all of the candidates who have been chosen to move forward to the general election. In our continued efforts to provide support to candidates and citizens alike, we are continuing an extensive education campaign. The message of this campaign is simple— everyone can have a voice in state government. Involvement is the key. By attending debates, reading the *Candidate Statement Pamphlet* and voting, Arizonans can learn about the candidates and make an educated vote on November 2. Over 1.4 million *General Election Candidate Statement Pamphlets* were sent out statewide prior to the start of early voting in the general election period. We have planned 23 general election debates—all of which are free and open to the public. 2.8 million early ballot request cards have been provided to registered voters, in Arizona, by our office. In addition to the Commission's ongoing education campaign, we are attempting to make the Commission better by initiating legislative changes to the Clean Elections Act. While previous legislation provides a good starting point for this year's bill, we are actively encouraging input, comments and proposals from the public. We will continue to encourage broad-reaching citizen participation to improve the political process.

Sincerely,

David G. McKay, 2004 Chair



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This Bulletin is intended to be an informational tool used to update parties regarding the Commissions' projects and developments. If you have further questions, feel free to call the Commission directly and speak with any staff member at 1-602-364-3477 or toll free at 1-877-631-8891. As a state agency, we are here to serve you.

The Act and the Commission

The Citizens Clean Elections Act (Act) is a campaign finance reform measure that was initiated by Arizona citizens and passed by voters in 1998. The Act creates a new campaign financing system that provides full public funding to qualified candidates who agree to abide by the Act and Commission rules. The 2003-2004 election cycle will be the third election season in which candidates may run a political campaign under the Act.

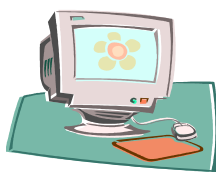
Governed by the laws of the State of Arizona, the Citizens Clean Elections Commission (Commission) has been created to implement and enforce campaign finance laws and to promote voter education through candidate

debates and a Candidate Statement Pamphlet. The Act allows the Commission to provide procedures for the inspection of a candidate's bank account, campaign finance reports and financial records relating to the candidate's campaign.

To qualify for funding, the voluntary "participating candidates" must adhere to spending and contribution limits and gather \$5 qualifying contributions from district constituents who are registered voters.

Participating candidates also agree to attend required debates.

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Please visit the Citizens Clean Elections Commission website at www.azcleanelections.gov to view the list of participating candidates, *General Election Candidate Statement Pamphlet*, list of debate sponsors & schedules and candidates who have received general election funding.

If you have questions, feel free to contact Voter Education Manager, Autumn Southard, at (602) 364-3477, extension 210.



Candidate Debates

Debates are an effective way to inform and involve voters in the political process. The Commission has contracted with nonpartisan sponsors to hold a debate prior to the general election unless there is no participating candidate in the election for a particular office or a participating candidate has no opposition for a particular office.

Candidates Eligible to Participate:

Invite all candidates, participating candidates and non-participating candidates, who will appear on the general election ballot to participate in the debate for the district or statewide office.

Candidates Ineligible to Participate:

The following candidates will not be invited to participate in debates as follows:

- In the general election, write-in candidates.

Candidates may not distribute materials in the debate room. Campaign signs, brochures, and materials shall be distributed outside the room in which the debate is held.

Candidates may have papers, notes or writing utensils during the debate but, they may not use any other "props".

Please go to www.ccec.state.az.us for a continuously updated schedule of debates.



Legislative Changes

Since its approval by Arizona voters in 1998 the Citizens Clean Elections Act (Act) has had only minor adjustments. The Citizens Clean Elections Commission (Commission) is now in its 3rd election cycle of administering the Act.

Over the past six years, the Commission has promulgated rules to respond to public input and clarify administration of the Act. However, some changes can only be implemented through legislative action. With that in mind, the Commission will introduce legislation this session to make technical and substantive changes to improve the law and its administration.

As part of this process, we are actively seeking constructive input from interested parties and the public. The Commission recognizes that many elected officials, candidates, citizens and organizations will have valuable insights and first hand experience with the law and its administration. Recognizing the value of a broad cross section of comment, we are soliciting constructive input via our website and have encouraged public comments at our September 14th Commission meeting and will continue to do so at our October 5th Commission meeting.

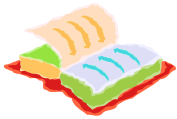
Based on a comprehensive analysis of written comments, oral testimony and staff review, the Commission will develop amendments to the 1998 Act and introduce legislation in the upcoming 2005 legislative session.

Details of the Act are available in the Act, Rules and Policy Manual listed on left side of the Commission homepage. Using the following link public comments can be submitted directly to Eric Gorseger, Deputy Director of the Citizens Clean Elections Commission, at eric.gorseger@ccec.state.az.us. Written comments can also be sent to the Commission directly (Attention: Eric Gorseger).

Please have all comments to the Commission prior to 5:00 p.m. on October 8th. For additional information or discussion please contact Eric Gorseger directly at (602) 364-3477 x 202.

Participating Candidate Update

118 participating candidates appeared on the primary election ballot. 88 of those 118 participating candidates will appear on the general election ballot.



General Election Candidate Statement Pamphlets

As mandated by the Clean Elections Act, the Citizens Clean Elections Commission (Commission) has produced *General Election Candidate Statement Pamphlets* for the 2004 general election. The Commission has produced and mailed candidate statement pamphlets to every household in Arizona containing a registered voter before the start of early voting for the general election. The Commission has also posted the pamphlet on the Commission's website at www.ccec.state.az.us as well as made the pamphlet available at public locations such as libraries and chambers of commerce.

The candidate statement pamphlet is a nonpartisan, comprehensive source of information for Arizona voters. Participating and nonparticipating candidates were given the opportunity to supply the Commission with a statement for inclusion in the pamphlet. All candidates who will appear on the general election ballot were eligible to submit a statement by the deadline. The pamphlets include the office in which the candidate is running, as well as the candidate's name, party affiliation, funding source, website and statement. Candidates were allowed to submit separate statements for the primary and general election pamphlets.

Deadline: The Commission did not accept late submissions for inclusion in the pamphlet. General election statements, verification forms and photographs had to be submitted **no later than 5:00pm on July 27, 2004.**

Statements: The 2004 pamphlets include statements of 200 words in length.

New statements were accepted for the general election pamphlet. If a candidate submitted a statement for the primary election pamphlet and did not submit a new statement for the general election pamphlet, their statement from the primary election pamphlet was used for the general election pamphlet. The Commission only accepted statements electronically through the Commission's website. Statements that exceed the allotted 200 words were not accepted.

Candidates were allowed to submit a statement without submitting a photograph or vice versa.

Photographs: The 2004 general election pamphlet includes photographs of candidates.

Candidates could submit digital photos through the Commission website, by e-mail or they could make an appointment to have a digital photo taken at Tieken/Moret's office. Tieken/Moret is the graphic design firm that contracted with the Commission to assist in the design and format of the pamphlets. The Commission only accepted digital photos.

View the *General Election Candidate Statement Pamphlet* online at
www.ccec.state.az.us.



Schedule of General Election Debates in October



The following districts will NOT have a 2004 primary election debate: 4, 14, 16, 18, 19, 21, 22, 27

<u>Office</u>	<u>Date & Time</u>	<u>Location</u>
Corporation Commission, Terms Ending '07 & '09	10/7/04, 3:30pm	University of Advancing Technology Auditorium 2625 W. Baseline Road Tempe, AZ 85283
District 1, Senate & House	10/7/04, 6:00pm	City of Prescott, City Council Chambers 201 S. Cortez Street Prescott, AZ 86302
District 2, House	10/15/04, 6:00pm	City of Flagstaff, Council Chambers 211 W. Aspen Flagstaff, AZ 86001
District 3, House	10/4/04, 6:00pm	Mohave Community College, Bullhead City Campus 3400 Highway 95, Room
District 5, Senate & House	10/14/04, 6:00pm	City of Globe, City Council Chambers 150 N. Pine Street Globe, AZ 85501
District 6, Senate & House	10/7/04, 7:00pm	Barry Goldwater High School 2820 W. Rose Garden Lane Phoenix, AZ 85027
District 7, House	10/6/04, 6:30pm	Carefree Resort & Villas, Saguaro Room 37220 Mule Train Road Carefree, AZ 85377
District 8, Senate & House	10/5/04, 6:00pm	Kerr Cultural Center 6110 N. Scottsdale Road Scottsdale, AZ 85253
District 10, Senate & House	10/5/04, 6:00pm	ASU West, University Center Building, La Sala A 4701 W. Thunderbird Road Phoenix, AZ 85069
District 11, Senate & House	10/7/04, 7:00pm	Church of the Beatitudes, Nelson Room 555 W. Glendale Phoenix, AZ 85021
District 13, House	10/4/04, 6:30pm	Epworth Methodist Church 4802 N. 59th Avenue Phoenix, AZ 85033
District 15, Senate & House	10/5/04, 6:00pm	Viad Tower, Playhouse on the Park 1850 N. Central Avenue Phoenix, AZ 85004
District 23, House	10/7/04, 6:00pm	Emergency Operations Center 31 N. Pinal Street, Building F Florence, AZ 85232
District 24, House	10/4/04, 6:30pm	Yuma County Board of Supervisors Auditorium 198 Main Street Yuma, AZ 85364
District 25, Senate & House	10/1/04, 7:00pm	Cochise College, Benson Center 1025 State Route 90 Sierra Vista, AZ 85602
District 26, House	10/8/04	Town of Oro Valley 11000 N. La Canada Drive Oro Valley, AZ 85737
District 28, House	10/5/04, 6:00pm	Catalina High School 3645 E. Pima Street Tucson, AZ 85716
District 29, Senate	10/14/04, 6:00pm	El Pueblo Neighborhood Center 101 W. Irvington Road, Tucson, AZ 85714
District 30, House	10/6/04, 5:00pm	Green Valley Library, Large Meeting Room 601 North La Canada Drive Green Valley, AZ 85614

For specific addresses and sponsor names, please visit our website at
<http://www.ccec.state.az.us/ccescr/debates.asp>

Important Dates!

October 7, 2004: Post-Primary
Original Campaign Finance
Report is due



October 21, 2004: Pre-General
Original Campaign Finance
Report is due

November 2, 2004: GENERAL
ELECTION!

December 2, 2004: Post-General
Original Campaign Finance
Report is due

Topic of the Quarter

General Election Period Matching Funding

Participating candidates may receive matching funding in the general election period if:

- Their nonparticipating opponents receive contributions, minus expenditures made through the primary election, in excess of the general election spending limit.
- Independent expenditures are made that favor nonparticipating candidates or oppose the participating candidate.

GENERAL ELECTION PERIOD MATCHING FUNDS EXAMPLE

Assumption: 1 legislative seat, 2 candidates

1 participating, 1 nonparticipating

Nonparticipating candidate's total contributions	\$40,000
<u>Nonparticipating candidate's primary election expenditures</u>	<u>—\$20,000</u>
Difference	= \$20,000
<u>General Election Spending Limit</u>	<u>—\$16,980</u>
<i>Matching funds provided</i>	<i>= \$3,020</i>

Exception: For nonparticipating candidates who did not have opposition in the primary, the participating candidate will be matched based on total contributions raised over the general spending limit.

***For more information on this topic (including exceptions), please refer to A.R.S. § 16-952.**

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2004 Fourth Quarter Commission Meeting Schedule

Citizens Clean Elections Commission

Commissioners

David G. McKay, Chair
Kathleen S. Detrick
Ermila Jolley
Marcia Busching
Tracey A. Bardorf

Commission meetings are held in the Citizens Clean Elections Commission conference room at 1616 W. Adams in Phoenix.

Please contact the Commission or check the Commission website, www.ccec.state.az.us to confirm meeting dates and times.

The Commission meeting minutes and agendas are available free of charge on the Commission website. Additionally, past minutes and agendas are posted on the website.

Upcoming Meetings

October

Tuesday, 10/5/04 9:30am

Tuesday, 10/26/04 9:30am

November

Tuesday, 11/16/04 9:30am

Tuesday, 11/30/04 9:30am

December

To Be Determined—Please go to
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